

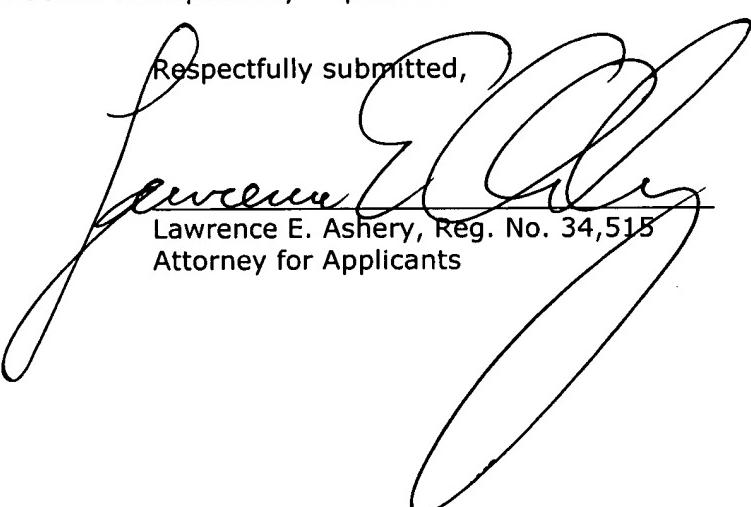
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Remarks/Arguments:

Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Katagiri et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,815,089). Claims 2-53, however, were indicated as being allowable if rewritten into independent form. Accordingly, claim 1 has been cancelled, and the features of claim 1 have been incorporated into claims 2, 15, 28 and 41.

In view of the amendments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

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